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- During April, 1949, legislation is to be introduced in the Eulgarian National Assembly calling for the reorganization of the Eulgarian Academy of Sciences along Communist lines. At the same time there is to be a "self-imposed" purge of the Academy sponsored by one Professor Georgiev, an ardent Communist member of the Academy.
- The members of the Academy are now holding meetings daily to decide on the"purge". It has been tenatively decided that certain of the older, more compromised members will be purged to satisfy the demands of the Communists. One of these persons is Professor Methodi Popov, Bulgaria's greatest scientist in biology. He is an old man and has indicated that he will not mind too much.

